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DEATH NOTICES FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA
AND AMERICAN GENERAL GAZETTE, AND ITS
CONTINUATION THE ROYAL GAZETTE¹

MAY 1766—JUNE 1782

(Compiled by MABEL L. WEBBER)

(Continued from the July number)

Deaths.] Much regretted by all who knew him, Peter Leger Esq., Colonel of the Charlestown Regiment of Militia.—In the 66th year of his age, Mr. Robert Dorrill. (Thursday, January 1, 1778.)

Deaths.] Mrs. Helen Robertson, wife of Mr. Andrew Robertson, and daughter of the deceased Daniel Crawford, Esq.—Capt. Richard Dickenson, of the Sloop *Henry*.—Capt. George North (Thursday, January 28, 1778.)

Death.] “After a short illness, Mr. Christopher Holson, a worthy honest man, and whose death is much lamented by all who knew him.” (Thursday, February 5, 1778.)

Death.] Mrs. Ann Delahoyde, widow of the deceased Mr. Richard Delahoyde. (Thursday, February 12, 1778.)

Deaths.] At Orangeburgh, Isham Clayton, Esq.—At Santee, Mr. William Chicken. (Thursday, February 19, 1778.)

Death.] After a lingering illness, Mr. William Lawrence, a worthy, honest man. (Thursday, February 26, 1778.)

Deaths.] “Greatly regretted on Monday last in this town, after a tedious and afflicting sickness, which he submitted to with Christian patience, William Elliott, Esq., late of Beaufort, in this state: He was a most affectionate husband and parent, an indulgent master, a sincere friend, and deservedly bore through life the character of a truly virtuous, concientious and honest man. We hear his remains, in consequence of his desire, are to be interred at Beaufort,”—Capt. Thomas Ladson, of John’s Island. (Thursday, March 5, 1778.)

¹ To these have been added the notices from the few numbers of the *Royal South Carolina Gazette* possessed by the Charleston Library Society.

Death.] Mrs. Mary Wright, widow of the deceased Thomas Wright, Esq. (Thursday, March 12, 1778.)

Deaths.] In Georgia, the Hon. James Read, Esq.—In Charlestown, Mr. Archibald-Douglas Dekeyser, son of Major Lee Dekeyser, of Wilmington, North-Carolina. (Thursday, March 26, 1778.)

Death.] Paul Porcher, Esq., Member of Assembly for the Parish of St. Peter. (Thursday, April 16, 1778.)

Death.] In an advanced age, Mrs. Helen Truin. (Thursday, April 23, 1778.)

Deaths.] Jacob Shubrick, Esq; in the 21st year of his age, Captain in the 2d Regiment of Infantry in this State on the Continental establishment, though young, he was among the first of those patriots who took up arms in America's cause, and one of those brave officers who signalized themselves in the gallant and successful defence of Fort Moultrie on the 28th of June, 1776. As a brave young officer, his country feels his loss, and as a youth endowed with the most noble sentiments of honour, his friends and afflicted family greatly mourn his absence.—Mrs. Susannah Watts, widow of the deceased Mr. Thomas Watts, (Thursday, April 30, 1778.)

Death.] In the 31st. year of his age, William Cattell, Esq.; Lieutenant Colonel of the First Regiment of South-Carolina, on the Continental establishment, and member of Assembly for the parish of St. Andrew. His publick character was marked by a strong and sincere attachment to his country to whose cause he cheerfully sacrificed all the comforts of a life of ease and affluence; and it may with truth be said, the service has not lost a more valuable officer, his country a more worthy citizen, nor his relations and acquaintance a more sincere friend or agreeable companion. (Thursday, May 7, 1778.)

Death.] Mr. George Benfield, Merchant. (Thursday, May 21, 1778.)

Deaths.] At John's Island, William Boone, Esq.—In Charlestown, Capt. Elijah Steele (Thursday June 4, 1778.)

Deaths.] At St. Eustatious, Daniel Heyward, jun. Esq.; of Prince William's Parish in this State.—Lieut. David Edmanson, of the 3d. regiment.—Capt. Alexander Marshall, formerly master of a vessel in this trade. (Thursday, July 16, 1778.)

Deaths.] At his seat near Georgetown, Paul Trapier, jun. Esq. He was a gentleman of a liberal enlarged mind, and extensive knowledge; warmly attached to the cause of his country, and highly esteemed and respected by all who knew him—At John's Island, Miss Mary Slade, daughter of Mr. Henry Slade. (Thursday, July 30, 1778.)

Death.] At Bordeaux in France, John Gordon, Esq.—(Thursday, August 13, 1778.)

Deaths.] Sincerely regretted by his family and acquaintance, William Ladson, Esq.—Capt. William Sinclair of the ship *Basmerin*, lately arrived here from Boston. (Thursday, Sept. 3, 1778.)

Deaths.] Mrs. Mary Marshall, wife of Dr. Francis Marshall, and Daughter of Mr. Patrick Hinds.—Mrs. Ann Fowler, widow of the deceased Mr. Jonathan Fowler of Christ Church Parish.—Mr. William Withers, of Goose-Creek.—Samuel Bradley, Esq., one of the Members of the General Assembly for St. Mark's Parish.—After a short but severe illness, Mr. Nicholas Langford, Bookseller; Through Life he supported the Character of a Man of Probity, and his best Services were never wanting to the State, of which he died a Citizen. He was happy in a very numerous acquaintance, who sincerely lament his death.—Col. William Fludd of Santee.—Mr. William Fell, Painter.—Mr. Thomas Baldwin, Carpenter.—At James Island, Mrs. Agnes Scott [?name rubbed] —Mrs. Elizabeth Witter, Widow of the deceased Mr. Samuel Witter. (Thursday, September 17, 1778.)

Death.] Benjamin Marion, Esq; Member of the General Assembly for St. Thomas's Parish. (Thursday, September 24, 1778.)

Deaths.] In this town, Simon Hirons, Esq., Member of the General Assembly for the district between the Broad and Catawba rivers: Justice, probity and integrity of heart, constitute him the honest man; love to his country rendered him the true patriot; a well tempered zeal or religion proved him the sincere Christian: The whole of his deportment evinced, *That he was an Israelite indeed, in whom was no guile.*—After a lingering illness, which he bore with Christian patience and fortitude, Mr. Thomas Legaré, Sen. (Thursday, October 1, 1778.)

Deaths.] Capt. John Armstrong, and Capt. James Lacey, both of the 6th Regiment.—Nathaniel Broughten, Esq.—In the 88th year of her age, Mrs. Elizabeth Fidling. (Thursday, October 8, 1778.)

Deaths.] After a short illness, Mr. Alexander Adamson.—“Last Sunday, in his puerile age, Master William Elliott, son of the deceased William Elliott, Esq. He was a promising child; his natural endowments were such that had his life been spared, would have made him a credit to his family, an honour to his country, and a blessing to mankind. The implicit obedience that he ever paid to the commands of his mother, and the esteem and regard that shown conspicuous in his whole deportment towards his sisters, strongly mark him to have been a dutiful son, and a loving and kind brother: He has left behind him to regret his loss, a disconsolate mother, and two weeping sisters.” (Thursday, October 15, 1778.)

Deaths.] In the 74th year of his age, Mr. Justinus Stoll.—Captain Benjamin Stone, of James Island; he was ever a warm and steady friend to his country, and his success in life enabled him to gratify a most hospitable disposition.—Frederick Grimké, Esq; aged 74 years, 45 of which he lived in this country. We join in the general suffrage of all who had the happiness of being acquainted with this worthy character, in saying, that he was hospitable, benevolent and generous, a loving husband, a tender father, and a kind, indulgent master. (Thursday, October 23, 1778.)

Deaths.] At Amelia township, Dr. Alexander Rogers, surgeon to Col. Thomson's regiment: His attention to the duties of his profession joined to a benevolent heart, gained him many friends, who now regret his death.—At Beaufort, Mrs. Stevens, wife of Mr. Daniel Stevens.—In the bloom of youth, Mr. George Parsons, only son of the Honourable James Parsons, Esquire: The many amiable qualities that adorned this young gentleman, occasion his loss to be most sincerely deplored by all who knew him. The situation of his disconsolate parents, thus bereaved of their only hope, may be conceived, but language would fail to describe it.—Mr. John Giles, Merchant.

On the 25th Day of October | In the Strength of his Days, departed this Life | Barnard Elliott, Esquire. A member of

the General Assembly | and Lieutenant-Colonel | Of the Continental Corps of Artillery | In this State | As a Man | He was charitable, humane, benevolent; | As a Gentleman, | Affable, yet inobtrusive, | Polite, yet unaffected; | The heart-felt duties of Husband and Father, | He fill'd in a Manner trully worthy of Imitation; | As a Brother, | Affection and Tenderness guided | His Conduct; | As a Friend, | He was warm, attached, steady and sincere; | As a citizen, | He was as laudably jealous of civil Rights and Priviledges, | As zealous in supporting them; | As a Soldier, | He was manly, brave, spirited and capable; | As a Christian, | He was religious without Superstition, | Devout without Enthusiasm | He Died! | With the noble Firmness of the first Profession, | The Resignation and Confidence of the latter | M,DDC,LXXVIII. | His remains were interred on Tuesday in St. Philip's Church. A Party of the Military proceeded the Corpse which was followed by a long Train of Mourners, the Society of Free Masons (of which he was Grand-Master) his Excellency the President, the Vice-President, Generals Howe and Moultrie, the other Officers, Civil and Military, &c. The whole forming one of the most solemn funeral Processions ever seen here. (Thursday, October 29, 1778.)

Deaths.] In the 87th year of her age, Mrs. Sarah Campbell—Mrs. Mary Wheeler, widow of the deceased Rev. Mr. Daniel Wheeler.—Mr. Solomon Legare—Mr. John Groning, Chair-maker.—Mr. John Demar, Merchant. (Thursday, November 5, 1778.)

Deaths.] “Dr. Maurice Lee: His strict Attention to the duties of his profession, joined to a generous humane and benovelent heart, deservedly gained him many friends, who now sincerely regret his death.”—Mr. John Tuke. (Thursday, November 12, 1778.)

Deaths.] Mrs. Mary Farr, wife of Mr. Nathaniel Farr, and daughter of the late Dr. Thomas Dunbar. Mr. Robert Rose of the Round O.—Mrs. Sarah Stoutenburgh, widow of the late Luke Stoutenburgh, Esq;—In Georgia, Lauchlan M’Gillevrays² Esq. (Thursday, November 19, 1778.)

Deaths.] William Brisbane, Esq. He was an early and steady asserter of his country’s rights, a sincere friend, and an honest

² An error, corrected in the next issue.

man.—“Mr. William Royall, of James Island; a character worthy of imitation, as a husband, father, or citizen. He died sincerely regretted by all who knew him.”—The account in our paper before last of the death of Lauchlin M’Gillevrays, Esq; was premature. (Thursday, December 3, 1778.)

Death.] Mrs. Mary Willkys, widow of the deceased Mr. James Willkys. (Thursday, December 10, 1778.)

Deaths.] Thomas Young Esq, of the old Three Runs—Mr. Philip Dewees.—The Rev. Mr. James Henderson, Pastor of the Presbyterian Congregation on Edisto Island. (Thursday, December 24, 1778.)

Deaths.] At his seat in St. Stephen’s parish, Major Adam Macdonald; a gentleman, whose publick character was that of the virtuous citizen and the gallant soldier. He had a heart that could feel for another’s woe, and he will be long regretted by his relations, his servants and acquaintance.—Mr. William Miller, Carpenter; a worthy honest man. (Thursday, December 31, 1778.)

Death.] Col. George Gabriel Powell. (Thursday, January 21, 1779.)

Death.] Mrs. Helen Rantowle, wife of Mr. Alexander Rantowle. (Thursday, January 28, 1779.)

Deaths.] In St. John’s Parish, Mrs. Elizabeth Waring, wife of John Waring, Esq:—William Sommers, only son of Humphrey Sommers, Esq. (Thursday, February 25, 1779.)

[Account of the battle at Port Royal, in which Lieut. Benj. Wilkins, of the Charlestown artillery Mr. John Fraser of same corps, John Williams and John Craig, volunteers, and four privates were killed.]

To the present Editor of the South-Carolina and American General Gazette.

Sir,

As the publisher of your paper is at present absent as a volunteer on the same expedition, and was in the same action in which Lieut. Wilkins of the Charlestown Artillery battalion fell, I must beg of you to publish the following elegiack lines, which, though imperfect are intended as a tribute to the memory of a friend, a patriot and a hero.

AN ARTILLERY MAN

“Behold, in Honour’s sacred Bed
Brave Wilkins drew his latest Breath;
See him among th’ illustrious dead,
Fall’n by the rigid Hand of Death!

“While he the levell’d Tube did aim
Against his Country’s raging Foe;
The fatal Ball, like Light’ning came,
And struck, alas! the deadly Blow.

“Full well he knew the dext’rous Art,
With skilful Hand, and watchful eye,
To point the Tube, or wield the Dart,
And force his stubborn Foe to fly.

“No less in Social Life he shone.
A Friend to every milder Art;
Religion claimed him for her own,
And Justice swayed his honest Heart.

“Alas! that an untimely Blow
Should snatch him from his weeping Friends,
Sure every Breast with Grief must glow,
Sure ev’ry Heart Compassion lends.

“His widow’d Spouse with heart-felt Sighs,
And helpless Babes, his Loss bewail;
While sympathetic Tears arise
In all who hear the mournful Tale.

“Not unaveng’d our Hero fell,
Full dear his precious Blood was bought;
Beaufort’s ensanguined Plains can tell,
How well his brave Associates fought.”

(Thursday, February 11, 1779.)

Deaths.] In the 78th year of his age, James Reid, Esq.—Mrs. Elizabeth Broughton, wife of Mr. Thomas Broughton, jun.—Mrs. Elizabeth Martha Wells, wife of Mr. Edgar Wells. (Thursday, February 18, 1779.)

Deaths.] At Beaufort, Mr. Tunes Tebout; He was ever a steady friend to his country; and in private life bore the character of a man of integrity and hospitality.—Mr. George Russel, of James-Island, ship-carpenter.—Mr. Ripley, at the Ten Mile House.—Mr. William Tucker.—Mr. Michael Muckinfuss. (Friday, March 26, 1779.)

Death.] Of a short illness, Mr. — Wells, late first Lieutenant of the State brig *Hornet*. (Friday April 30, 1779.)

Deaths.] Mr. James Glover, Son of Col. Glover.—In the 60th year of his age, Capt. Joseph Hutchins.—Mrs. Sarah Smith, wife of the Rev. Mr. Robert Smith.—Capt. John Darrell—In the 70th year of his age, R. Roper, Esq.—Miss Mary Peronneau, Daughter of the deceased Alexander Peronneau, Esq.—Joseph Verree, Esq; one of the Representatives for this town in the General Assembly.—Mrs. Elizabeth Blamyner, Widow of the deceased Capt. Blamyner.—Lieut. Samuel Guerrey, of the 2d. regiment.

To the Memory of
Owen Roberts Esq.

Colonel of the Continental Corps of Artillery,
Raised by the State of South-Carolina;
Who was slain in the attack of the British lines at Stono-Ferry
June 20th, 1779.

“To worth approv’d, at merits honou’d shrine,
The muse that tribute pays so justly thine,
Lamented Roberts! whose virtues great and good,
Were, for thy country’s safety, sealed in blood.
If sorrowing friendship could that worth display,
Which would have grac’d the Greeks heroick lay;
Thy memory should to future ages dear,
Be ever honour’d with a grateful tear.
In every act thy patriot spirit shown,
But most in *that* when Freedom called for one,
Whose generous soul would every danger brave,
Her wrongs to right, her right from wrong to save.

For this, her soldier, thou her cause embrac'd,
 Thy country happy in a choice well plac'd;
 For this, thou brav'd grim war's terrifick low'r,
 And mov'd undaunted through the deathful show'r.
 But here, alas! how shall my muse relate?
 The cruel mandate of relentless fate
 Arrests the good, the valient and the just,
 And bids him mingle with his native dust;
 His soul, serenely great, attends the call,
 Nor seeks to shun, but glories in his fall,
 Your praises then, O Carolinians, give,
 And in your annals, let him ever live;
 Let every honour be bestow'd by fame.
 For sure such merit must deserve a name."

(Friday, July 16, 1779.)

Death.] Dr. Dubertas. (Friday, July 30, 1779.)

Deaths.] In the 69th year of his age, Thomas Shubrick, Esq.—
 Capt. John Bennis.—Robert Cattle, Esq. (Friday, August 20,
 1779.)

Death.] Mr. Hext Prioleau. (Friday, August 27, 1779.)

Deaths.] Mr. James Ferguson, son of Thomas Ferguson, Esq;
 —Mr. John Kesson. (Friday, September 24, 1779.)

Deaths.] At Philadelphia on the 4th of September, the Hon-
 ourable William Henry Drayton, Esq; Chief Justice of this state
 and one of the Delegates to Congress.—The Honourable James
 Parsons, Esq: a member of the General Assembly for the Parish
 of St. Bartholomew's, and formerly Vice President of the State.
 (Friday, October 1, 1779.)

Deaths.] In an advanced age, Mr. Augustine Stillman—Mrs.
 Ann Doyley Glover, wife of Mr. Joseph Glover jun, Esq; in the
 bloom of life. (Friday October 15, 1779.)

Deaths.] In Georgia, Lieut. Kimmel,³ and Mr. Christian Gru-
 ber of the Charlestown Fuzileers.—Capt. David Dubose, of Col.
 Horry's Light Dragoons.—Mr. Andrew Williamson. (Friday,
 October 29, 1779.)

³ Joseph Kimmel, Lieut. Christian Gruber corporal, in the siege of Savan-
 nah, *Charleston Year Book*, 1885, p. 344.

Deaths.] In September last, at his plantation near Augusta, John Walton, Esq.—Mrs. Mary Middleton, wife of Capt. Charles Middleton, and daughter of Colonel William Thomson.—John Dutarque, Esq.—Lieut. Col. Daniel Roberts of the—d Georgia battalion.—At his plantation near Orangeburgh, Mr. William Wilson, late a merchant of this town: “The amiable character of this gentleman in private life, renders his loss irreparable to his connections, and his death much regretted by those who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. (Friday, Nov. 9, 1779.)

Deaths.] Capt Stephen Dean, formerly master of a ship in the African trade.—At Augusta, Col. Rue of the 1st. Georgia battalion.—Mr. Jacob Warley.—Mr. Noah Stevenson.—(Friday December 3, 1779.)

Death.] Colonel Bedeaux,⁴ of the late Count Pulaski’s Legion. (Friday, December 10, 1779.)

[File of papers broken from December 24, 1779 to July 13, 1780, and from August 1st. to September 13, 1780.]

Death.] At Augusta, on Sunday the 30 instant, much lamented by all who knew her, Mrs. Belamy Johnston, wife of Dr. Andrew Johnstone. (Wednesday, September 20, 1780.)

Deaths.] On the 10th ult. at Augusta, of the wound he received in the actions with the rebels under Clark, Ensign Simcox of the King’s Rangers—At Camden, Capt. Peacock and Capt. Harrison, of the 7th Regiment.—At Savannah, Mr. John Holmes, of the Island of Barbadoes, Merchant.—Near Dorchester, Mrs. Mercy Sommers wife of Humphrey Sommers, Esq.—In Christ Church Parish, Mrs. I’on, widow of the deceased Capt. George I’on.—In CharlesTown, this morning, after a short illness, Capt. Constable, of General Delancey’s Brigade. (Wednesday November 1, 1780.)

An elegant Monument, on which the underwritten Epitaph is engraved, hath been erected in Westminster Abbey to the memory of William Wragg, Esq; who, in consequence of his refusal to abjure his Majesty’s Government, was compelled to leave this province. In July, 1777, he embarked on board the *Commerce*, Capt. Moncrief, bound to Amsterdam, but when within twelve hours Sail of the port, the ship was drove on shore, and he, in en-

⁴ Charles Frederick de Bedaulx (?) See this *Magazine*, vol. xvi, p. 179.

deavoring to save the life of an infant son who accompanied him, unfortunately lost his own.

Sacred to the Memory of | William Wragg, Esquire, of South Carolina, | Who, when the American Colonies revolted | Against Great Britain, | Steadily maintained his Loyalty to his Prince | And his Attachment to the British Government: | For which causes alone | He was | Compelled to abandon | His tender and affectionate Family, | His native Country, and | His affluent Fortune. | Having embarked for England, by Way of Amsterdam, he was | Unfortunately shipwrecked, and drowned on the Coast of | Holland, | The Second Day of September, 1777. | In Him, | Strong natural Parts, improved by Education, | Together with the Love of Justice and Humanity, | Form'd the compleat Character of | A Good Man, | And left to those who remain behind him | To deplore the Loss of | A tender Husband, | An affectionate Father, | A most indulgent Master, | And a warm and Sincere Friend. (Wednesday, December 6, 1780.)

Deaths.] In this town, Joseph Farley, Esq; late Provost—Marshal of Georgia.—Mrs. Mary Bampfeild, widow of the deceased Mr. William Bampfeild.—Mr. John Poaug, Merchant.—On his passage from New Providence to Bermuda, Mr. Ely Kershaw, of Camden, in this Province.—At Georgetown, Mr. George Croft, Merchant. (Saturday, December 16, 1780.)

Death.] Yesterday at his seat at Sandy-Hill, Charles Elliott, Esq. (Wednesday, January 17, 1781)

Death.] “Lately in St. John’s Parish, in the 83d year of her age, Mrs. Damaris Ravenel, widow of Daniel Ravenel, Esq; deceased. She was a native of this Province, a lady of great piety and merit, and enjoyed an uncommon degree of health till a short time before her death.” (Wednesday, January 24, 1781.)

Death.] Mrs. Esther Keith, wife of Mr. James Keith. (Wednesday, February 24, 1781)

Deaths.] Mrs. Alicia Powell, Lady of Col. Robert-William Powell.—Miss Hannah Ashe, daughter of the deceased Mr. Richard-Cochran Ashe. (Wednesday, February 28, 1781.)

[With this number, the *S. C. and American Gazette* ends, and the paper contains an advertisement, stating that *The Royal Gazette*, will begin publication on Saturday next.]

ROYAL GAZETTE.

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EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

March 3, 1781 to September 28, 1782.

Death.] On Sunday morning, Lieutenant Cresswell, of Marines, belonging to his Majesty's ship *Carysfort*. In the evening his remains were conducted to St. Michael's Church, and interred with the honours of war. (Wednesday, March 14, 1781)

Death.] John Dart, Esq; Attorney at Law. (Wednesday, March 21, 1781.)

Died.] Near Savannah, Mrs. Bryan, wife of Mr. Jonathan Bryan.—*Augusta, March 21.* Last night died in this place, Mr. James Grierson, eldest son of Colonel Grierson; and at Mr. Hammond's at Snow Hill, Mrs. Williamson, wife of Andrew Williamson, Esq.—*In Charles Town* Mr. John Lyon. (Saturday, April 7, 1781.)

Death.] On Thursday last, died here, in the 22d year of his age, Mr. Adam Lockhart, Merchant in this place.—His chearful disposition, warmth of affection, and integrity of conduct in the business of life, had gained him the friendship of many, and the good will of all who knew him.—His corpse was yesterday attended to the grave by a numerous train of sorrowing friends. (Saturday, April 21, 1781.)

Deaths.] In the 53d year of his age, Mr. Edward Oats, Vendue-Master, who ever maintained the character of an honest, industrious man, and a zealous friend to his King and Country.—In the 55th year of his age, William Burrows, Esq.—Mr. Melchior Werley.—Lately at Santee, Peter Porcher, Esq; a gentleman much esteemed and regretted by his acquaintance. (Wednesday, May 2, 1781.)

Deaths.] Last Wednesday evening, after a short illness, in the 29th year of his age, William Lennox, Esq; Commissary of Naval Prisoners for the Southern District, universally esteemed, beloved and lamented; a chearful companion, a sincere, steady friend, and an honest man.—Mrs. Lois Hall, wife of Mr. George Abbot Hall.—Master John Rose, son of John Rose, Esq. (Saturday, May 19, 1781.)

Death.] In the 77th year of his age, Gabriel Manigault, Esq. (Wednesday, June 6, 1781.)

Death.] On Thursday last died here greatly regretted by all who had the happiness of her acquaintance, Mrs. Skottow, the amiable consort of the Hon. Thomas Skottowe, Esq; and daughter of Edmund Bellinger, Esq. (Saturday June 9, 1781.)

Death.] In the 82d year of her age, Mrs. Mary Ellis. (Wednesday, June 13, 1781.)

On Thursday night last week, a small party of mounted Rebel militia surrounded the house of Andrew Williamson, Esq; formerly Bridagier-General of the South-Carolina militia, about 7 miles from town, and without allowing him time to put on his clothes, carried him off prisoner. On intelligence being received of this, Major Fraser, with 90 of his dragoons, was detached next day in quest of them. After having effected a circuitous march of more than 70 miles through the woods, with the most profound secrecy, on Saturday Morning the Major surprised their main camp at the Horse-Shoe, killed 14 on the spot, wounded several, took Col. Isaac Hayne, their commander, prisoner, and released General Williamson from his confinement at a house in the neighbourhood.

The anxiety to rescue General Williamson, and the rebels not making the smallest shew of resistance, but betaking themselves to the woods in every direction, prevented their sustaining a greater loss. Their numbers before that morning were estimated at more than 200—Their own accounts made them much stronger.

Amonge the killed, was the second in command, Lieutenant Colonel M'Lauchlan; his brother Capt. M'Lauchlan was dangerously wounded. Col. Hayne was brought to town on Sunday, and is now lodged in the Provost.

Death.] George Forbes, Esq; a gentleman of considerable property in the island of Jamaica, who came here some months ago for the recovery of his health. (Wednesday, July 11, 1781.)

Early on Sunday a considerable party of mounted Rebels, chiefly Militia under Henry⁵ [sic] Hampton, who formerly resided at the Congarees, made a sudden irruption into Goose creek parish, surrounded the church during the time of service, made prisoners of the congregation, to some of whom they gave Paroles,

⁵ According to McCrady (vol. 1780-'83, p. 328), Col. Wade Hampton commanded this raid, not Henry.

and took several horses. About two o'clock they came to the Quarter House. Lieut. Waugh, with 18 convalescents, of the South-Carolina Dragoons, having a little before received intelligence of some flying parties of Rebels being seen in the neighbourhood, had just then mounted and was going out to reconnoitre; he was immediately attacked. The great disparity of force admitted but a short contest, in which the gallant Waugh cut down John Wright, of Wasmasaw, a Rebel Captain, and it is said, two others. He then surrendered, and was afterwards shot. Some of the Rebel Officers affected to regret the death of so brave a man, and to condemn the infamous deed.⁶

Several gentlemen from town were then at the Quarter House, some of whom got off; others were taken and admitted to their parol. Mr. William Trusler of this town, in attempting to make his escape, was shot.

After staying there about two hours, and regaling themselves with better fare than they have been accustomed to, the whole party decamped. (Wednesday, July 18, 1781.)

Deaths.] Lieut. M'Leod, of the North-Carolina Royalists.—Mr. William Rudhall.—Mr. Sampson Veyle. (Saturday, July 21, 1781.)

Deaths.] On Friday, the 27th ult. in the 19th year of his age, Lieut. William Green, of the 30th regiment, lately arrived from Ireland; a young Gentleman much respected, and whose death is greatly regretted by his acquaintance. Lately at the Congarees, Mrs. Johanna Glaze, wife of Mr. John Glaze, and daughter of Mr. John Dawson. (Saturday, August 4, 1781.)

Death.] Mr. John Edwards, sen. formerly of this town, died at Philadelphia. (Wednesday, August 29, 1781.)

Death.] This day died, in the 49th year of his age, Sir Egerton Leigh, Bart. His Majesty's Attorney-General for this Province. (Saturday, September 15, 1781.)

Deaths.] Mrs. Mary Wilson, Wife of Mr. John Wilson, Merchant.—Ensign Ruxton, of the 30th regiment.—Of the wounds they received in the action of the 8th, Capt. James Shaw and Lieutenant John Troup, both of Brigadier General Skinner's brigade of New-Jersey Volunteers.—Mrs. Hepburn, Wife of James Hepburne, Esq.—Wednesday, September 19, 1781.)

⁶ See McCrady, vol. 1780-'83, p. 328 for different account.

Deaths.] Lieut. Thomas Wilkie, of the 30th Regiment.—Mrs. Jones, Wife of Mr. Joseph Jones, (Saturday, October 6, 1781.)

Deaths.] Capt. Hayes St. Leger, of the 63d Regiment.—Last Tuesday, Miss Mary Spencer and Miss Judith Spencer, and the next day, Mr. Joseph Spencer, their brother; all of James Island, and in the bloom of life. (Saturday, October 13, 1781.)

Deaths.] Dr. Samuel Murray, of his Majesty's Hospital, second son of Col. Murray, late of Rutland, in Massachusetts-Bay. (Wednesday, October 17, 1781.)

Death.] Major Majoribanks, of the 19th regiment; a gallant and much esteemed officer. (Saturday, October 27, 1781.)

Death.] On Thursday last, in the 39th year of his age Captain Baron De Stein,⁷ of the Hessian regiment de Bose, departed this life, very much regretted as an excellent officer; he possessed many amiable qualities, and his death is universally lamented by a numerous acquaintance. His funeral on the same evening was celebrated with due military honours; a very numerous procession of his Excellency Lieut. Gen. de Bose, Field Officers, and of the Officers of the Garrison, British as well as German. (Wednesday, October 31, 1781.)

Deaths.] In the 47th year of his age, Capt. John Stebill,⁸ of the Hessian regiment d'Angelellai—In 52d year of his age, Mr. Samuel Bours, formerly of Rhode-Island, Merchant.—Rev. Mr. John Frederick Tubear.—Mr. Andrew Rutledge.—Mr. Wilson Daltzell, from Georgetown.—Master Hugh Peronneau, son of the deceased Mr. Alexander Peronneau.—Master John Cleator, son of the deceased Mr. John Cleator. (Saturday, November 10, 1781.)

Death.] John Balfour, Esq; late of Cheraw. Saturday, November 17, 1781.)

Death.] In an advanced age, Mr. Alexander Rantowle, of this town. (Saturday, November 24, 1781.)

On the 17th instant, at day-break, Major Cunninghame, of the Royal Militia, with his corps, attacked a party of rebel militia,

⁷ Moritz von Stein, capt. 1778, '79, '81, in Regiment Trumbach (1778), regiment Bose (1779–1783), Carl von Bose, Lieut. Gen. (See *German Allied Troops, 1776–1783*, N. Y. 1893, p. 322 *et seq.*)

⁸ Capt. Staebeli, 1779–1781, lieut. in 1778, in regiment Woellwarth, Capt. 1779, regiment Trumbach, capt, 1779–'81 in Grenadier regiment, Marquis d'Angelelli; Louis d'Angelelli Lieut. Gen. (*German Allied Troop*, pp. 321–322).

under the command of Capt. Turner, posted in a house on Cloud's Creek, near the Mouth of Saludy, when after an obstinate resistance of an hour, the house was carried by storm, with the loss of only one man mortally and three slightly wounded. The enemy, on this occasion, lost Capt. Turner, and 21 men killed. (Wednesday, November 28, 1781.)

By advices from the back country we learn, that Major Cunningham, a few days after the affair at Cloud's Creek, attacked a party of forty rebels, under the command of Col. Hayes, posted in a block-house, at Mr. Edgehill's plantation, within fifteen miles of Ninety-Six. The enemy made a vigorous resistance, until the house was set on fire, and the roof fell in, when they were obliged to submit with the loss of Col. Hayes,⁹ Capt. Owens, Capt. Leonard, Capt. Williams, Capt. Hancock, and ten privates killed. Major Cunningham had only one man killed, and five slightly wounded. (Saturday, December 8, 1781.)

Deaths.] Lieutenant Black of the Volunteers of Ireland.—Mr. John Gibbes, Deputy Commissary of Prisoners. (Wednesday, December 12, 1781.)

Deaths.] In the 75th year of his age, Robert Brisbane, Esq.—Hopkin Price, Esq.—After a long illness, Mr. Robert Muncreef, Merchant. (Saturday, December 22, 1781.)

We are informed by a gentleman who came this forenoon from St. Thomas's Parish, that on the afternoon of Thursday last, Major Coffin, with 70 of our cavalry, fell in with a body of about 400 rebels, under the command of Col. Richardson at Smith's plantation, who were immediately charged and routed, with the loss, on the part of the rebels, of fifty-seven killed, and twenty taken prisoners. Our loss was Capt. Archibald Campbell¹⁰ killed; Capt. Alexander Campbell, and a dragoon, wounded. (Saturday, January 5, 1782.)

⁹ Col. Joseph Hayes, Daniel Williams, Clement Hancock. See McCrady, *S. C. in Revolution, 1780-'83*, p. 474, for account of this action, and names of the men killed in action, and slain after their surrender, by orders of "Bloody Bill" Cunningham.

¹⁰ Known as "Mad Archy" Campbell. (See McCrady, 1780-'83, p. 592.) The next notice records the death of his wife, whom he married in Dec., 1780; he being then a lieut. in the 71st regiment. Johnson *Traditions of the Am. Rev.*, p. 67, give a romantic (but traditional) account of this marriage.

Death.] Mrs. Margaret Campbell, widow of Capt. Archibald Campbell, and daughter of Robert Philip. Esq. She died greatly regretted by all who had the happiness of her acquaintance. (Saturday, January 12, 1782.)

Death.] Benjamin Dart, Esquire. (Saturday, January 19, 1782.)

We are informed from Savannah, that about Christmas last, a gang of banditti came to a house on Daufusky Island, where Capt. Martinangel of the Royal Militia was lying sick, and whilst two of them held his wife, another, named Israel Andrews, shot him dead; they afterwards plundered Mrs. Martinangel and her children of almost everything they had.—These wretches came from Hilton-Head; they stile themselves the Bloody Legion and are commanded by John Leaycroft, The following is a list of the gang: John Erving, Lewis Bona, Daniel Savage, Christian Rankin, James Devant, John Bull, James Erving, James Allan, Charles Floyd, Isaac Davids, Nathaniel Gambal, William Chiswell, Thomas Roberts, John Mongin sen., John Mongin, jun. David Ross, Patrick M'Mullin, Isaac Bolder, Meredith Rich, John Fendon, William Scott. (Wednesday, January 30, 1782.)

Death.] Lieutenant Donald Campbell, of the 74th regiment. (Wednesday, February 20, 1782.)

Death.] Mr. Josiah Bonneau, Merchant. (Wednesday, February 22, 1782.)

Death.] After a short, but painful illness, Col. Nicholas Lechemere, of the Granville County Militia, esteemed and respected by all who knew him. (Wednesday, March 20, 1782.)

Death.] Mr. John Morrison, Assistant Commissary of Provisions (Wednesday, May 29, 1782.)

Death.] On Tuesday last, Mrs. Conroy, the lady of Lieut. Conroy, of the Prince of Wales's American Regiment. (Saturday, June 8, 1782.)

Death.] In the 17th year of his age, Mr. James Wilson, son of Doctor Robert Wilson of this place. The modesty and good sense of this young gentleman, along with his steady application to serious study, had given rise to the pleasing hope of his one day becoming the pride of his family, and an ornament to Society. . . . (Wednesday, June 26, 1782.)

By accounts from the country we learn that Mr. John Laurens,

a Lieutenant-Colonel in the rebel army, and a son of Mr. Henry Laurens, now in London, was lately killed near Combahee river, in attempting to impede the operations of a detachment of his Majesty's troops.

When we contemplate the character of this young gentleman, we have only to lament his great error on his outset in life, in espousing a publick cause which was to be sustained by taking up arms against his Sovereign. Setting aside his single deviation from the path of rectitude, we know no one trait of his history which can tarnish his reputation as a man of honour, or affect his character as a gentleman. His generosity of temper and liberality of opinion, were as extensive as his abilities; as a soldier, he fought for glory, and as a citizen he pursued what he thought to be the true interests of his country—He constantly condemned every oppressive measure adopted against the Loyalists, and always contended that a steady and disinterested adherence to political tenets, though in opposition to his own, ought to render their possessor an object of esteem rather than of persecution. His humanity can be no better illustrated than by mentioning what we are well assured was the case, that he highly reprobated the refusal of Matthews, the Rebel Governour, to the proposal from this garrison, respecting the purchase of a quantity of rice; on this generous principal, that it was cruel to withhold from those persons whom the Assembly of the Province had banished, the provisions which were necessary for the support in a foreign country, of the slaves they were to carry with them.

While we were thus marking the death of an enemy who was dangerous to our Cause from his abilities, we hope we shall stand excused for paying tribute, at the same time, to the *moral* excellencies of his character.—Happy would it be for the distressed families of those persons who are to leave this garrison with his Majesty's troops, that another Laurens could be found.¹¹ (Saturday, September 7, 1782.)

Deaths.] "On Sunday last at Ashley River, greatly lamented by his family and friends, Charles Pinckney, Esq; Counsellor at Law; a gentleman equally admired through life not more for pro-

¹¹ See, Wallace, *Life of Henry Laurens*, N. Y. 1915, pp. 463-494, for a most excellent sketch of the life of John Laurens, which quotes above, as does also this *Magazine*, vol. 2, pp. 28-29.

fessional knowledge and integrity than an unbounded philanthropy which marked his character and influenced his behaviour towards all ranks of men; his remains were decently interred at St. Andrews Church."—Mrs. Isabella Izard, widow of John Izard, Esq; deceased; "a lady much esteemed for the many amiable qualities she possessed, and whose death is sincerely lamented by her acquaintance."—Mr. Christopher FitzSimmons. (Saturday, September 28, 1782.)

The file of the *Royal Gazette*, in the Charleston Library Society, from which the above notices were taken, ends with the number for September 28, 1782, the paper was continued for a short time after this, but ceased publication prior to December, 1782, when the British evacuated CharlesTown. The Charleston Library has a fairly complete file, beginning with the first number; following is a list of the missing numbers.

1781; May 15, 23, June 27, July 4, 7, 14, August 1, 8, 18, 25, September 1, 29, December 1.

1782; February 13, 16, March 16, March 23 to May 18, (with the exception of April 17, recently purchased in London) June 12, 15; (the paper was discontinued from August 7 to September 7,) September 14, 21.

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Vol. 1, 1780; No. 58, Tuesday, September 19; No. 50, Thursday, Sept. 21; No. 101, Tuesday, Dec. 5; No. 103, Friday, Dec. 8; No. 109, Tuesday, Dec. 19; No. 110, Thursday, Dec. 21; No. 112, Monday, Dec. 25.

Vol. 4, 1782; No. 284, Tuesday, Mar. 5; No. 289, Thursday, Mar. 21; No. 291, Thursday, Mar. 28; No. 300, Tuesday, April

30; No. 301; Thursday, May 2; No. 302, Tuesday, May 7, No. 303, Thursday, May 9; No. 311, Thursday, June 6.

Vol. 5, 1782; No. 330, Tuesday, Aug. 13; No. 338, Tuesday, Sept. 10; No. 339, Thursday, Sept. 12.

In the number for September 12, 1782, the Editor states that he finds himself under the necessity of discontinuing publication.

Death.] Mrs. Ann Manigault, widow of the deceased Gabriel Manigault, Esquire. Tuesday, April 30, 1782.)

Death.] Yesterday departed this life after a short illness, Mr. William M'Gachen, Merchant; a staunch Loyalist, a warm friend, an honest man. His death is much regretted by a numerous acquaintance. (Thursday, May 9, 1782.)

Deaths.] Mr. William Smith, Merchant.—Mr. John Hanna.—Mrs. Mary Elliott, widow of the late Artemas Elliott; Her amiable temper and Christian virtues endeared her to all her acquaintance; and her death is a most sensible affliction to her family and friends. (Tuesday, September 10, 1782.)